Upper Shenandoah River Basin Water Supply Plan

Regional Water Resources
Policy Committee Meeting
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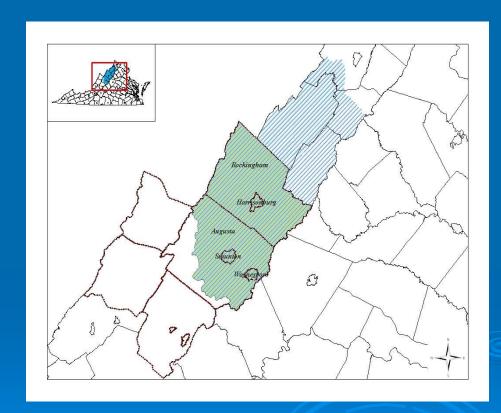
Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission

- 21 Local Governments in Central Shenandoah Valley
- Two Watersheds in Planning District



Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission

- Augusta County
- Rockingham County
- Harrisonburg
- > Staunton
- Waynesboro
- Bridgewater
- Broadway
- Craigsville
- Dayton
- > Elkton
- Grottoes
- Mr. Crawford
- > Timberville



Upper Shenandoah Water Supply Planning Process

- When did we start?
- > Where are we now?
- Where are we going?
- How is the trip so far?



10 EASY STEPS TO MEETING A STATE MANDATE

1. Create a Committee

- Policy Committee
- Technical Advisory Committee
- Drought Committee
- Regional Approach



2. Write a grant!!

- DEQ Grant
- Local Contributions
- ARC Funding



3. Meet and meet again

 Select central location and convenient time to meet

Make on-site visits



4. Fill out a LOT of forms

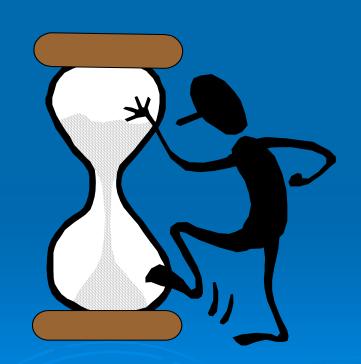
- Spreadsheet training needed
- Consolidate
- VDH data as a resource



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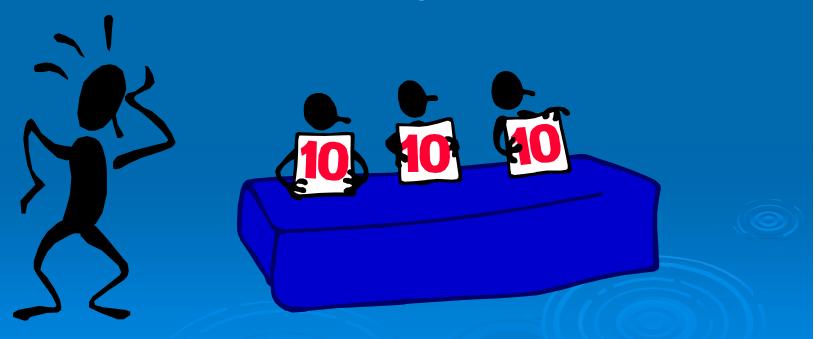
- Work by tasks
- Work in phases
- Open lines of communication

6. Submit draft to DEQ for review - WAIT



7. Receive Comments from DEQ - PANIC!

Cross reference to Regulations



8. Ask for Help and Grant Extension

Use DEQ as a resource



9. Revise and prepare plan documents

- Respond to DEQ comments
- Work with individual localities to fill in gaps

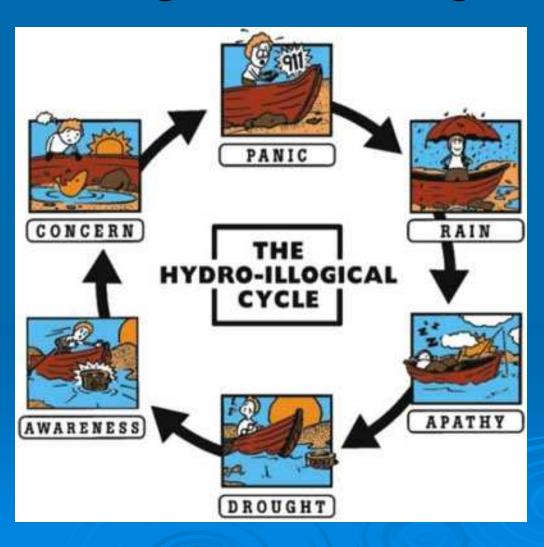


10. Submit Revised Draft to DEQ SIGH!!



And just when you thought it was over.....

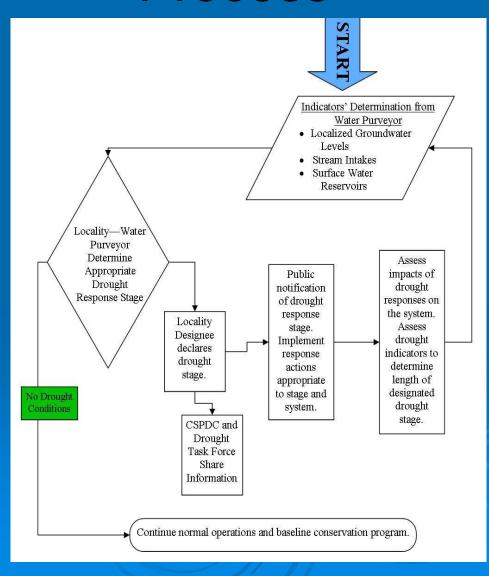
DROUGHT PLANNING



- Began Drought Discussion Jan 2008
- > Collected Data
- Planning Committee Created
 - Began meeting in May 2008
 - Four meetings to date
 - Four draft documents

- > Indicators Individualized
- Responses Regional
- Drought Preparedness and Response Plan

Regional Drought Response Plan Process



- Drought Ordinance
 - Links directly to the Drought Plan
 - Example draft to localities
 - Locality review (legal)
 - New ordinance
 - Existing ordinances
 - Public Hearings
 - Adoption by Board/Council

Challenges

- Number of communities
- Geographic size of planning area
- Diversity of locality resources
 - Staff
 - Funding
- Different stages of planning
- Different water sources
- Familiarizing localities with the planning process
- Introduction of ordinance and being bound by Regulations.
- Adoption phase will be lengthy



Thank you!

Questions?

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